

HOUSE No. 2340

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, petition of William C. Galvin for legislation to exclude health insurance premiums by retirees from the income tax. Revenue.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO LEGISLATION TO EXCLUDE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS BY RETIREES FROM THE INCOME TAX.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Paragraph (a) of subsection B of section 3 of chapter 62 of the
2 General Laws, as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby
3 amended by adding the following subparagraph:—
4 (14) All sums deducted from payments from any annuity, pen-
5 sion, endowment or retirement fund of the United States govern-
6 ment, the commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof
7 including the optional retirement system established by section 40
8 of chapter 15A for the purpose of providing health insurance
9 under the provisions of chapter 32A or 32B; provided, however,
10 that in the case that such sums are deducted from any contributory
11 annuity, pension, endowment or retirement fund of the United
12 States government or the commonwealth or any political subdivi-
13 sion thereof, to which the retiree had contributed, the amount to
14 be deducted from the Part B adjusted gross income in determining
15 the Part B taxable income shall not in the aggregate exceed
16 \$2,000.